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Dear Sir:

In conjunction with the issue fee in the present application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE DRAWINGS

Minor changes to the Figures 7 and 9 are proposed in order to conform these drawings with Office requirements. The proposed changes are show in red ink on the copies of Figures 7 and 9 attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the text of the referenced paragraphs of the Specification with the following text: